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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB-CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
AA		3,225,843	12/28/65	<i>J.E. Ortloff et al.</i>			
AB		3,799,277	03/26/74	<i>Kellner</i>	175	94	
AC		Re 28,449	06/10/75	<i>T.O. Edmond</i>	175	94	
AD		3,978,930	09/07/76	<i>Schroeder</i>	175	94	
AE		4,060,141	11/29/77	<i>Catterfeld</i>	175	94	
AF		4,463,814	08/07/84	<i>Horstmeyer et al.</i>	175	45	
AG		4,957,162	09/18/90	<i>Etourmy et al.</i>	166	212	
AH		4,971,146	11/20/90	<i>Terrell</i>	166	55	
AI		5,060,737	10/29/91	<i>Mohn</i>	175	104	
AJ		5,186,264	02/16/93	<i>du Chaffaut</i>	175	27	
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	AV	WO 98/01651	01/15/98	PCT	E21B	23/00, 23/04, 4/18	X

OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

AW	The Natural Selection Research Group. <i>Inchworm Mobility–Stable, Reliable and Inexpensive</i> . A. Ferworn, D. Stacey. (pp. 1-4); Undated
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AY	Scandinavian Oil-Gas Magazine, <i>Well Tractor for use in Deviated and Horizontal Wells</i> , F. Schüssler, (pp. 1-3) Undated	
AZ	SPE/ADC Drilling Conference (SPE 37656); <i>Extending the Reach of Coiled Tubing Drilling (Thrusters, Equalizers, and Tractors)</i> , J. Leising, E.C. Onyia, S.C. Townsend, et al March 4-6 1997, (pp. 1-14)	
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